



Black Leadership Projects Grant Application

Submission Guidelines*

Please complete this form in full (**attaching additional pages or documents if necessary**) and return to the following DHM staff no later than **May 31st**:

ATTN: Marissa Ivey Chiles
Black Leadership Projects Grant
Disciples Home Missions
P.O. Box 1986
Indianapolis, IN 46206-1986

Applications are accepted electronically by Marissa Ivey Chiles at **mivey@dhm.disciples.org**. For questions, you may contact Rev. Monique Crain Spells at **mcrainspells@dhm.disciples.org**.
**First time applicants will be prioritized.*

Grant Amount

All requests will be considered up to \$5,000. There is no minimum request.

Amount Requested: \$ _____

Project Category

Projects must *clearly* relate to one or more than one category. Please check all that apply. See the guidelines on for detailed category descriptions.

- Leadership in Congregational Life
- Leadership in Outreach Ministries
- Leadership in African American Programming
- Scholarship Support for Leaders
- Faith Development of Leaders

I. Identifying Information

Name of Project: _____

Contact Person (Name, Title): _____

Phone and Email: _____

Name of church or organization (if for an individual's project/scholarship, please mark N/A)

Address of Organization or Individual (Street, City, State, Zip): _____

Date funds are needed: _____

Date of event (if applicable): _____

Have you as an individual, organization, or church applied for BLPG funds before? _____

If so, was your request granted? _____

II. Purpose of Project

Why do you see a need for the creation of this project? What result do you expect if your project is successful? What is your overall goal?

III. Target Audience

What is the primary population or group you hope to reach?

IV. Leadership

How will your project promote the development of African American leadership?

V. Procedure for Implementing Project

How, specifically, will you implement your project to meet your stated purpose/goal? Describe the steps and actions needed, including a timeline.

VI. Staff Person Responsible

Each grant applicant must choose a Disciples Home Missions staff member to serve as a sponsor.

Contact a staff sponsor prior to applying for this grant.*

Eligible Staff Sponsors

Rev. Dr. R. Wayne Calhoun, Sr., Director of Congregational Transformation and Evangelism

Email: rcalhoun@dhm.disciples.org

Rev. Monique Crain Spells, Director of Christian Education/ Faith Formation

Email: mcrainspells@dhm.disciples.org

Rev. Angele Saunders Johnson, Executive Director of Disciples Women

Email: ajohnson@dhm.disciples.org

Rev. Yvonne Gilmore, Interim Administrative Secretary of the National Convocation

Email: ygilmore@disciples.org

**Please contact Monique Crain Spells if you have questions about choosing a sponsor.*

VII. Budget

As an attachment to your application, please include an itemized budget with the total proposed cost of your program/project, amount of funding requested, any additional sources of funding, and an itemized list of how funds will be used [e.g., equipment and supplies, resources, scholarships, education, honorariums, etc.]. *Applications will not be considered without an itemized budget.*

VIII. Grant Recipient Requirements

If awarded funds, the committee requires two reports: One at six months from the award date and a second after one year (or at the conclusion of the project). To be in good standing for future awards, previous grant recipients must be current in submitting their reports.

Please indicate to whom (or to what organization) your award check should be made payable:
